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J. W. McFARLAND, Secretary Vancouver Water Works Co.

Vancouver, Dec. 22, 1887. dec23 td

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WAR BREWING.

European Complications Daily Becoming More Serious--The War Fiend Aroused.

Queen Victoria's Influence--British and Russian Hostility --The Crown Prince.

A TERRIBLE WAR BREWING.

BERLIN, Dec. 24.—If war early in the spring is averted, official anticipation will be deceived and military expectations disappointed. Within the past few days it has become the settled conviction of the diplomatic circles that the Czar's pacific tendencies have been overdone by the Panslavist faction and that he is now under the control of the war party, the leaders of which are likely to precipitate war by some act of provocation committed without the Czar's full assent. The return of General Von Schweloitz, German ambassador at St. Petersburg, was hoped to be signalized by a decisive turn of the tide peaceward. The conference between Von Schweinitz and DeGiers, Russian prime minister, had a contrary result. Whatever passed during the interview, it has deepened the distrust in Berlin and increased the irritation of the Austrian government toward Russia. DeGiers appears to have abandoned his policy of peace pressure upon the Czar and to have thrown his influence on the side of the military party. He is reported as telling Van Scheitz that the Czar is sincerely desirous of peace, but is unable to tolerate longer Austrian duplicity in thwarting Russia's endeavors to obtain the just fruits of her sacrifices in the Balkan campaign.

An ominous indication of the extreme tension of the situation is the bellicose tone of St. Petersburg papers toward Austria. Bulgaria, the papers say, must be deprived of any shadow of an autonomy and become a Russian province, while Austria must be forced to evacuate Bosnia and Herzegovina. The Russian Government has obtained knowledge that the terms of the treaty of alliance leave Germany free not to interfere unless Austria is threatened with a collapse which would involve territorial losses.

The report that Count Von Wolkenstein, Austrian ambassador at St. Petersburg, had received assurances from De Giers that the movements of troops had ceased, is semi-officially denied. A reassuring presentation would be useless in the face of the facts that during the past week the Russian cavalry and light artillery have been pushed forward to the extreme outposts. A careful estimate gives Russia eight and a half army corps within the frontier districts of Warsa, Wilna and Kiliff, with 120 field batteries against the combined Austrian and German force of five and one-half army corps with 82 batteries. Russia has also an immense preponderance in cavalry [illegible]

THE CROWN PRINCE OF GERMANY.

The *Tagblatt* refers to the recent attempt of the court clique to influence the Crown Prince to resign in favor of Prince William, [illegible] The successful version of that affair credits Prince Bismark with renewing his pressure on the Crown Prince by sending Count Von Munster to San Remo to represent that the gravity of the situation, so imminence of a frightful war, necessitates his abdication to enable Prince William to act beside the emperor. The Crown Prince's reply was that he as long as he drew breath would not surrender his rights or his duties. The *Tagblatt* goes to the length of suggesting that endeavors are being made to induce the Crown Prince to undergo an operation in order that the fatal termination may be hurried and the end of the political embarrassment may be reached. The *National Zeitung* refers to the insinuation in tones of indignation, but the assertions of the *Tagblatt* are known to have a solid stratum of fact to stand upon. The defeat of the intrigues has strengthened the court opposition to the Prince.

HOW A WAR WILL AFFECT GREAT BRITAIN

LONDON, Dec. 23.—Strange rumors are afloat in reference to the attitude now being taken by Salisbury's ministry towards Austria, Germany and Russia. What one hears is that the Ministry has been induced by Bismarck to give considerable countenance, if not an absolute pledge, of support to the triple alliance, and that Austria is confident that she may depend on English interposition in case she is attacked. One of the two daily papers known to have access to official information has even gone so far as to put out feelers on the subject. Thus the *Times* says:—"England might possibly extend a maritime support to Italy or Austria in case of certain eventualities." Something of the kind was talked about last year. The object being, as it was then understood, to keep the Battenburg Prince on the throne of Bulgaria. The secret history of that affair has not been written. Some day it may all come out. The ministerial organs give currency to the reports which point to a similar mysterious understanding with Germany and Austria against Russia. At the same moment the continental journals are all agog about the visit of Lord Randolph Churchill to St. Petersburg. Is it mere chance or caprice that has directed Churchill's steps to Russia just as Salisbury was concinding the Germanic alliance. It may be so, and yet the visit may be of some moment in connection with coming events.

FRIENDLESS RUSSIA.

Russia has no friend in the present government, and she is disposed to be very sore against England, believing that she has been ill-used, particularly by Salisbury and the Conservatives. She is, of course, aware that she gave great offense at the French court by the intrigue against Prince Alexander. It is not very safe for a public man in England to talk much about court influences, but it is a great mistake to suppose that it is no power or influence. Prince Alexander came over to see the Queen a few weeks ago. Many surmises are afloat as to the object of his journey. Some people have it that the friendly understanding with Austria and the adoption of a frigid attitude toward Russia dates from about that time.

During the Parliamentary recess no questions can be asked of Ministers, and there has been ample opportunity to cast the lines of the British foreign policy in a direction which was not anticipated, and from which they may not be easily moved. If anything of this sort has been done, tremendous significance is imparted to Salisbury's words warning the country, "That if the thunderclap of "war should break it would give no warning, and if, by an untoward chance you "should be involved in it, your fate will "depend on the precautions you have "made in the time of peace."

SALISBURY'S WARNING,

read in the light of the semi-official whispers about England sending her army and navy to the Mediterranean, those sentences have an ominous significance by the fact that the two great political parties here are by no means in accord with reference to Russia. Thanks, chiefly to Gladstone's influence, the Liberals have been brought to the opinion that Russia means no harm to England, and that an alliance with the colossus of the north would be highly advantageous to us. Active Russian agents are always at work in London disseminating these views through society channels of the press, and their overtures have not been in vain. Russiaphobia is dying out. Even the fear of Russian aggression in India is much weaker than it was.

It seemed to be probable that if the Liberal party remained in power England and Russia would gradually be drawn together, especially as the condition of Egypt and the results of English interference there had almost destroyed the *entente cordiale* with France.

Handsomely Decorated.

The steamer Yosemite was handsomely decorated on Christmas. Evergreens, flowers and flags were tastefully arranged in the cabin and other parts of the vessel. While at New Westminster she was visited by hundreds of people, all of whom went away highly delighted.

Alaska's Governor.

Governor Swineford arrived at Port Townsend this morning from Sitka. He will attend a meeting of the directors of the Treadwell mine on the 1st of January. The Governor left for Tacoma this morning, and will immediately proceed to New York.

American Justice.

The trial of Fuller, murderer of Archbishop Seghers, was concluded before the Ancon sailed. The trial occupied fourteen days, the jury disagreeing for ten days. A verdict of manslaughter was brought in and Fuller sentenced to ten years imprisonment in the Salem, Ore., penitentiary. The evidence for the prosecution was published some days since.

ON THE WING.

Mr. J. A. Laidlaw is in the city.

Mr. G. A. Carleton returned from a flying visit to the mainland last night.

Miss M. Y. Storey went over to Seattle yesterday morning by the Olympian.

Mr. John Kirkland, of Ladner's Landing, came down on the Yosemite last evening.

Messrs. Louis Eckstein (with W. N. Bole) and W. J. Pace were passengers by the Yosemite.

Dan McPhee came down for a holiday trip yesterday morning. He returned to New Westminster this morning.

Mr. S. T. McIntosh, with his bride, left on the Yosemite this morning for New Westminster, their future home. Several of their friends were down to see them off and wish a pleasant voyage over the sea of life.

Fashionable Wedding.

One of the most fashionable weddings of the season took place this morning in the Reformed Episcopal Church, when the marriage ceremony of Mr. W. L. Clausen, of San Francisco, and Miss May, eldest daughter Mr. T. N. Hibben, was consummated. Bishop Cridge officiated. The bride, who, by the way, is one of Victoria's most charming and popular young ladies, wore a dress of cream satin stripe, with long trail, orange blossoms and veil and carried a beautiful boquet. The bridesmaids, Miss Ella Nelson, Miss Farron and Miss Estelle Hibben, looked charming in dresses of *cafe au lait*, with cardinal ribbons to match, and each carrying boquets of holly and red berries. The groom was supported by Mr. W. R. Higgins. After the ceremony the wedding party returned to Mr. Hibben's residence, Pandora street, where a sumptuous wedding breakfast was partaken of by some twenty guests, and where also a reception was held this afternoon. The wedding presents were both numerous, varied and costly, and will give the young couple a start with many of the essentials to housekeeping. They will take a trip to Vancouver tomorrow morning, and returning will leave on Saturday's steamer for their future home in San Francisco.

LIVE STOCK SMUGGLING.

A Sheep Ranche Seized on Saturday at Cadboro Bay for Smuggling.

For some time the officers of Her Majesty's Customs here have had their suspicions aroused in regard to irregular importation of live stock in the neighborhood of Cadboro Bay. Efforts were made to locate the guilty parties, but without success until Saturday last. On that day Inspector Milne and Landing Waiter Hunter took a drive into the country. The ranche of Mr. Ira Wilson, Cadboro Bay, was visited. The officers had their suspicions directed towards him before leaving the city. They brought out with them a gentleman whom they intended placing in charge of Mr. Wilson's ranche, provided they found contraband animals there. Mr. Wilson, as many of our readers are aware, slaughters sheep and sells the carcasses in the city. His prices have always been a shade lower than those of the regular butchers. This was the first clue which led to the discovery made. Inspector Milne took possession of Mr. Wilson's books, and from a cursory glance at these became satisfied that his suspicions were well founded. The flock of sheep, some 300 in number, were then seized, as were also the rest of the stock, as well as the implements on Mr. Wilson's farm, and placed in charge of the officer brought oet for that purpose. Mr. Wilson's books were brought into the city by the customs officers and lodged with the collector. This morning, according to arrangement, Mr. Wilson made his appearance at the custom house, where, on his depositing a sum sufficient to cover the cost of the animals and duty as well as a fine, a releasing order was handed him. This will enable Mr. Wilson to dispose of the sheep, but it will not release him from any further action the Minister at Ottawa may direct to be taken. The case has been referred to him by the officials here for adjudication.

At first Mr. Wilson was stout in his denial of any irregularities on his part. However, he saw it was no use denying it any longer and to-day made a clean breast of the whole affair. It is stated that smuggling of stock to a greater or lesser extent prevails along the northwest coast from the San Juan Islands. Since 1884 these irregularities have assumed considerable proportions, in fact they became so bold in their operations that the matter leaked out amongst the neighbors. It is believed the principal one in the business has been captured.

TO-DAY'S DESPATCHES.

Christmas in Britain and on the Continent--Lord Churchill in St. Petersburg.

Ex-Secretary Manning's Funeral --The Great Nova Scotian Raft Wrecked.

CHRISTMAS IN LONDON.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—This has been the quietest and dullest Christmas London has seen for many years. The weather has been cold, raw and disagreeable, which had so great an effect in keeping people indoors that the streets are almost deserted. The only noticeable feature of the day has been the entire absence of drunkenness in the streets.

Gladstone will make the masses more in solid phalanx against Coercion on Tuesday, when he will speak at Dover. On Wednesday he well take the Calais steamer and begin his trip to Italy, where he will remain till February.

English politicians are thrown into great flutter by Prince Bismarck's attempts to draw from Lord Salisbury a definite pledge to support the triple alliance, and are feverishly anxious to learn to what extent the Premier has committed the country in that direction. An interview which took place on Friday between Lord Salisbury and Count Von Latzfeldt, the German Ambassador, was obviously of so important a character that the latter felt impelled to report personally to the German Chancellor, and he started immediately for Friedrickruhe to confer with his chief. Thus far no intimation has been given by any member of the ministry of the nature of the conference between Lord Salisbury and the German Ambassador, and it is a matter of doubt whether any one of them is in possession of more definite information than the general public.

The neglect of the Turkish Government to convert the Turkish lira or gold medjidie, a coin of the value of about $4.50, into practical money, has caused very heavy depreciation in silver, and precipitated a state of affairs verging upon a panic in Constantinople. The proverbial procrastination of the Ottoman government in pushing forward matters of reform has been conspicuously exemplified in this case, and the ministry is now confronted with the necessity for doing immediately what should have been done long ago. A Cabinet Council was hastily summoned yesterday, and a decision was reached with little delay, to begin at once the work of coining small silver pieces to be issued in redemption for the medjidie.

FRANCIS JOSEPH'S XMAS.

VIENNA, Dec. 27—The usual Christmas festivities were observed by the Imperial family, all of whome were present at the distribution of gifts from the Christmas tree. The Emperor presented a magnificent portrait of himself, bearing the Imperial autograph, [illegible] to Count Andrassy.

"RANDY" AND THE RUSSIANS.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 27.—Lord Randolph Churchill had an interview with M. Ostiaiev yesterday, and will probably be received by the Czar to-morrow.

THE CROWN PRINCE'S XMAS.

SAN REMO, Dec. 27.—Crown Prince Frederick William took an active part in the Christmas festivities to which the members of his household, who are with him, and their attendants, devoted themselves to-day.

WILLIAM AND AUGUSTA.

BERLIN, Dec. 27.—The Emperor and Empress were in excellent health and spirits on Christmas Day, and presided at the usual Christmas banquet and distribution of presents from the Imperial Christmas tree.

CROWN PRINCE AT CHURCH.

SAN REMO, Dec. 27. — The Crown Prince attended church Sunday for the first time since his arrival at San Remo.

"RANDY'S" WAITER.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 27.—The Czar has directed his Chief State Secretary, M. Pelovtzoff, to attend upon Lord Randolph Churchill during that gentleman's stay in St. Petersburg.

FALSE REPORT.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 27.—Recent rumors of an attempt to kill the Czar arose from the discovery of a secret door beneath and leading to the Imperial box in the Maric theatre.

WITH THANKS.

BERLIN, Dec. 27.—Crown Prince Frederick William has written a letter to the Prussian Grand Lodge of Masons thanking that body for its expression of sympathy.

TO JOIN THEIR REGIMENTS.

PARIS, Dec. 27.—The *Figaro* Munich correspondent states that workmen belonging to Austrian reserves have been ordered to return to their regiments forthwith. The Austrian Consul at Bucharest has intimated that Austrian subjects in Roumelia should be ready to return to their regiments.

GLADSTONE HOOTED.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—Gladstone arrived at Dover to-day on his way to the Continent. A small crowd assembled at the depot and Gladstone was greeted with hoots from a number of roughs outside the depot, who threw snowballs at him none, however, struck him.

AMERICAN NEWS.

THE PRESIDENT TO THE POPE.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 27.—A special despatch from Rome to the *Sun* says the present from President Cleveland to the Pope arrived last night. The present is a copy of the United States Constitution, beautifully engrossed and richly bound in book form. It was forwarded to Rome through Cardinal Gibbons, who received it in Baltimore from President Cleveland about three weeks ago.

THE PRESIDENT.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—The President will leave Washington to-morrow night for Albany to attend ex-Secretary Manning's funeral. Colonel Lamont and all members of the Cabinet will accompany President Cleveland. They expect to return to Washington on Tuesday night.

LYNCH LAW.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 27.—Tom Dove, colored, who recently shot W. T. Homes, was taken from jail at Franklin, Ky., by a mob, early yesterday morning and hanged.

MURDER.

CASSOPOLIS, Dec. 27.—Patrolman Jerry Hank was fatally shot at 1.30 this morning by Policeman Lewis Heeman. The shooting grew out of Hank's attempting to go into Eureka Hall while a ball was in progress without showing his badge.

AT HOLESTON, Ala., yesterday, John Haynes was shot and killed by John Thomas who claims that Haynes had insulted his sister. Haynes was a railroad conductor and a few months ago drew a lottery prize of $15,000. Thomas surrendered himself to the authorities.

LUCKY ESCAPE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Saint Aloysius Academy in Yonkers was burned about two o'clock this morning. There are usually about eighty boy pupils in the building, but all had gone home for the holidays except sixteen, who escaped safely together with sixteen nuns who act as teachers. Loss on the building is about $10,000.

THAT LARGE RAFT.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Mr. Leary, owner of the timber which composed the great raft, does not believe that the raft has entirely broken up. He considers such a thing almost impossible, and thinks that the large portion of the raft will yet be found held together by chains with which it was interwoven while being built.

THE RAFT BREAKS UP.

NEW LONDON, Conn., Dec. 27.—The U. S. steamer Enterprise, which was sent out by the Navy Department to search for the abandoned timber raft, returned to this port to-day. Commander McCall reports that on Friday he came upon remnants of the raft 135 miles off Nantucket Shoals. The raft had broken up and the sea was covered with separated logs. He sailed through the floating timber all Friday and Friday night, but could not find enough of the raft holding together to tow into port. He thinks there is no danger to navigation from logs as they will soon drift apart and out of frequented track of vessels. Logs were found 135 miles southeast by south of the Shoals and are not in the route of trans-Atlantic steamers.

RESIGNED HIS POSITION.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Colchartes A. Treychet, for many years auditor in the New York custom house and since its reorganization has been a special deputy and agent at a salary of $5,000 a year, tendered his resignation to Collector Magone to-day and will proceed to California where he expects to take charge of the Soldiers' Home.

GOVERNMENT TELEPHONE SERVICE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The Knights of Labor are busily engaged in circulating petitions which, when filled with signatures, will be sent to Congress and which will call on that body to take steps to establish a government telegraphic service.

FOOTBALL.

Victoria Football Club v. Chemainus Wanderers.

This match resulted in a victory for Victoria by 3 goals 4 tries to nil. The game was very even in the scrimmages but the Victoria men were rather too fast outside for their opponents. The Chemainus men have not had the practice which the Victoria men have had and in the return match they may probably [illegible] were obtained by Holland (1); Crease (1), Chalmers (1), Ward (4)—Martin and Crease most conspicuous for the winners whilst for the defeated team J Croft, Ashby, Whitehouse and Brown were to the fore. Victoria's team was as follows: A Bresley, full back; C A Holland, C L Chalmers, W A Ward, three quarters; H J Martin, G Barnard, one half; L Crease, B H T Drake, C Pemberton, W H Langley, R E Fawcett, J Fenell, — Watson, B Williams, P Hibben, forwards.

Chemainus—H Croft, full back; Kingham, Whitehouse, J Croft, three quarters; Good, Smith, one half; Ashby, Sitwell, Pell, Brown, Wilson, D Dean, J Dean, Lewis, Roberts, forwards.

Patent Desks.

Mr. J. P. Elford will leave for Nanaimo to-morrow with 100 new desks for the Girl's High School. Mr. Elford made a large number of these desks for the city schools and has received many orders for supplying schools in the districts.

Christmas at the Jail.

In the general jollification and abundance of good things of Christmas the unfortunates of the provincial jail were not forgotten. On Sunday they were regaled with mutton chops for breakfast and roast pork and plum-duff for dinner with tobacco and pipes for dessert. The gaoler says the prisoners enjoyed themselves immensely.

Incorrectly Reported.

The Hon. Robert Dunsmuir states that the interview copied in THE TIMES of Saturday from the Portland *News* does him a great injustice. What the honorable gentleman really did say was that it was great pity the diplomacy of 1846 lost to Britain such a fine state as Oregon and the Territory of Washington. He expressed himself as hostile to an unrestricted commercial treaty, but favorable to a reciprocal one for the free interchange of the natural products of the soil of both countries, as well as animals—a treaty similiar to that in force from 1854 to 1866. Such an one he was sure would largely benefit Vancouver Island. It is well known that these are Mr. Dunsmuir's views, and that he has often so expressed himself. He is a thorough loyalist in every respect.

The China Steamer.

The Batavia passed up the straits at 9 o'clock this morning for Vancouver, in charge of Capt. Urquhart. She arrived in the Royal Roads last night—so it is reported by many who heard her whistles. Health Officer Jackson, and Officer Hunter, of the Customs, pulled alongside of her, but as she had not dropped her anchor, nor not intending to do so, their services were not required. Neither mails, passengers, or express freight were landed. The P. O. officials were notified at 8 o'clock that the vessel was steaming around in the Roads and making for Esquimalt, but having already been notified that no bags had been made up for Victoria, they did not take any steps to board her. The die is now cast between the steamship company and the government, which insists on the full spirit of the act being carried out. As matters now stand the customs officials take their instructions from Ottawa. We are aware that efforts are being made there by the C. P. R. officials for a relaxations of the rules. Until this is done Capt. Webber says he will give Victoria the go by on the inward trip, and after the departure of the Batavia, outward trips as well. It is not likely that the matter will be allowed to remain in its present shape long.

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THE LEWIS CROFTERS.

Scottish exchanges to hand by the latest mail from Britain, contain long accounts of the slavery condition of the Crofters on the Island of Lewis, and the raid they lately made on the deer run belonging to Lady MATHESON, one of the principal owners of the Island. The raid was planned and deliberately carried out by these unfortunate men, whose land had been taken from them to form a deer park, and who in consequence had no means of subsistence and were on the point of starvation—in fact some of them with their families were actually starving. The details given of their condition by the newspaper correspondents and by the Sheriff, which we find in the *Scottish Highlander*, are enough to melt the heart of a stone. Potatoes and salt form the only food of thousands, and Sheriff FRASER declares that the children whom he visited in Ballalan School have the traces of famine marked deeply on their countenances. Some of them have been already reduced to mere shadows. One man during the potato-lifting period, in Balallin, walked from croft to croft, picking up the rotten potatoes left on the ground, and on these, flavored by common salt, he fed himself and his family for a fortnight. The sheriff reports that he went into the school at Balallan, and more pinched and poverty-stricken children he had never seen; they presented, indeed, a wretched appearance. In a class of 24 children he asked what each had for breakfast; a number said potatoes and herring. What for dinner? Potatoes and herring. What for supper? "Brochan," which means thin oatmeal and water. Others said potatoes alone for all meals, and they certainly had the appearance of children so fed. Many more instances of semi-starvation and suffering might be mentioned, but these here are given as a fair but reliable sample of the condition of a large portion of the people on Lady Matheson's property.

After reading the above will any one say that those poor people were not justified in slaughtering the deer which roamed over the lands that they should have been cultivating, for the purpose of supplying themselves and their families with food? Of course in the eye of the law it was a criminal offence. Not a few of the men were arrested, and the others voluntarily gave themselves up. The law may punish them by imprisonment, but that will not cure the evil. A cry of indignation has arisen for justice to these oppressed people, and the government must do something for their amelioration. In its anxiety to afford relief, the British Government has made a very reasonable proposition to aid these suffering crofters to other lands. Whether the offers made will be accepted will not be known for a few months yet.

POLITICAL POINTERS.

It is understood here that Donald McMaster, Q. C., will contest Carleton in the Conservative interest.

A new election has been ordered in Queen's County, N. B., polling on January 18th. This is the seat held by Baird.

It is expected that the transfer of the Northern and Northwestern road to the Grand Trunk will be announced in a few days.

The Winnipeg *Free Press* asserts that a coalition between the opposition and any member of the present Norquay government is impossible.

The Montreal *Gazette* publishes interviews with a number of leading Liberals of that city in opposition to Commercial Union.

Parnell will spend his Christmas holidays with Mr. O'Shea, at Eltham, in Kent. His health is much improved. He will probably address his constituents in Cork in January.

Lord Wolseley thinks the British nation should be enlightened as to the dangers which threaten it and the expense necessary to guard against such dangers.

Sir Charles Tupper believes that Parliament will not meet unul after the Fisheries Commission is through, which will postpone the meeting till the middle of February.

A special cable dispatch to the *Mail* from London says a correspondent in the War Office has stated that the Canadian Government has definitely decided to reorganize the militia force, which has hitherto been without organization and almost without discipline.

Lansdowne house, the last of the great London houses which lately has been open, is about to close its doors. Lord Roseberry's tenancy has expired and no new agreement with Lord Lansdowne has been made. The house will be vacated at the end of December. Lord and Lady Roseberry are to occupy No. 38 Berkeley square. So ends a brilliant episode in London social life.

At the sessions of the Dominion Grange, held in Toronto last week, the committee on banking reported that, in view of the suspension of several chartered banks in the Dominion, thereby forfeiting public confidence in the Canadian monetary institutions on their present basis, they would recommend that the circulating currency of the Dominion be secured by the government.

The British war office recently granted two commissions in the British army to officers of the militia of certain colonies, excluding Canada. As a result of representations the war office has now decided to grant six commissions to officers of the Canadian militia on the same conditions as in the other colonies. The details will be announced shortly in a general order.

Prior to the great disaster that overwhelmed it a short time ago, the Province of Honan, China, contained 23 millions of inhabitants. Though the Province was fertile, the agricultural implements of its inhabitants were of the most primitive character. Now the millions of survivors of the floods are thrown upon their neighbors, who are about as poor as themselves, and starvation on a wholesale scale is certain to ensue.

Mr. Lingham, the well known cattle exporter of Belleville, has just received through Lord Dufferin the appointment as manager in India of the cattle estates of the Nizam of Hyderabad, who will be remembered as having given $2,000,000 towards the fortifications and defence of India a short time ago. Mr. Lingham received a cable yesterday to the effect that he would have a salary of £2000 sterling per annum. He is now in Montreal.

The London correspondent of the Manchester *Guardian* states that the chief occupation of the Cabinet on Saturday, the 16th inst., was considering dispatches from Mr. Chamberlain. Is is believed that the character of these is too simple to need much deliberation on the part of the ministers, who have only to record the investigation of the diplomatists. It is said that when the Fisheries Commission next meet Mr. Chamberlain will be in a position to communicate an expression of Lord Salisbury's regret that the Commissioner's have not succeeded in settling the difficulty, which he hopes may be speedily referred to arbitration for compulsory arrangement.

The Toronto correspondent of the Canadian Militia *Gazette* declares that dissatisfaction has existed in the force for some time back on account of the clothing issued to the militia. "Clothing rotten, ammunition unreliable, guns obsolete, carriages as a rule decayed, rifles inaccurate, tents bad, medical appliances wanted, regulations a dead letter," is the correspondent's summary of the militia reports. In the same manner he complains of the lack of medical stores, citing an incident during the recent rebellion, where hospital clothing for the wounded could not be procured. Even now, he adds, hospital clothing is a great scarcity in permanent corps.

The New York *World's* Cape Town correspondent, under date of November 10th, writing about the discoveries of gold in the Transvaal, says hundreds are leaving by every coastwise steamer for Durban and the new gold fields of Barbeton and Witwaterzrandt. Most of the new arrivals are Englishmen, with a sprinkling of Californians and Australians. During the next five years the Transvaal, Swaziland, Zululand and Matabele country gold fields are going to astonish the world. California and Australia in their flush days will be eclipsed by the discoveries and output of gold in the South African country, and that at no very distant day.

A London dispatch states that to Englishmen it is amusing to see the attempts of the foreign press to represent that Lord Randolph Churchill's journey to Russia has a political object. He has no official relations whatever with the Cabinet; and, even if otherwise, he is the last person who would be chosen for so delicate a diplomatic mission, especially to Russia, whose Government he abused roundly in one of his most famous speeches. Churchill certainly never had a great reputation for a knowledge of foreign affairs. Moreover, his person is by no means imposing for a diplomatist. Although not a dwarf, he is represented by *Punch* as being rather tall and slim, has a youthful appearance and carefully twirled moustache, strongly suggestive of a smart clerk in a city warehouse. Foreign journalists appear unable to imagine that gentlemen sometimes go abroad for rest and change of scene.

On his arrival in Ottawa on the 21st. Hon. Joseph Chamberlain declined being interviewed by reporters on the Fishery question. On the way to the capital from Montreal, in speaking with a gentleman, he said he had a curiosity to see Canada, but the chief object of his visit was to confer with Sir John Macdonald with reference to outlining a trade treaty that would be acceptable to England and the United States and Canada. Americans were antagonistic to a settlement of the fishery dispute unless it can be coupled with reciprocity of trade, when the markets of both Canada and the United States would be free to all alike. Americans claim that the three-mile limit should be defined as between headland and headland, with bait and harbor privileges accorded to their fishermen. Of course, said Mr. Chamberlain, if Canada and the United States reciprocated in this way Canada must throw off her tariff against the Mother Country. A trade treaty is the only way to settle the fishery difficulty. I don't understand Sir Charles Tupper at all, and I think Sir John will be more susceptible of reason. I have changed my views considerably since I have crossed the ocean on the Reciprocity question.

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BATTLE OF DEC. 31.

The fight of Dec. 31 was the severest of the series of four days' battles. Gen. A. Willich's second brigade of Johnson's division was the most completely surprised when the Confederates under McCown advanced to attack them at 6:30 o'clock. Gen. Willich himself was absent from his brigade, and at Johnson's headquarters. Some of his artillery horses were away from their guns, getting water in the rear.

Owing to a failure to execute Bragg's orders precisely; the Confederates did not advance in two lines, as had been planned, but in a long single line, McCown on the left, Cleburne on the right.

Kirk's brigade was the portion of the Federal army first attacked. Kirk called on Willich's brigade, on the extreme right, for aid. Willich's brigade had no commander, and no attempt was made to respond to the call. There was sharp but short fighting, and then Johnson's division went to pieces. Kirk himself fell, mortally wounded, and Willich was captured as he was hurrying back to his brigade. Kirk's and Willich's brigades were nearly half of them killed, wounded or captured.

Only Col. Baldwin's brigade of Johnson's division remained unshattered. It was in reserve near division headquarters. The remains of the two beaten brigades went streaming back to the rear past Baldwin, only pausing in their flight to give information of the disaster. At that Col. Baldwin quickly formed his brigade in line to meet the pursuing Confederates. They appeared in great numbers—moving clouds of men. On the front Baldwin's brigade held them gallantly back for a time, but they came on in overwhelming force and flanked him on the right, enfilading his brigade. Then he was forced back and retreated slowly, just in time to miss having his whole brigade captured. What was left of the other brigades of Johnson's division was being reformed in the rear, and these Baldwin joined.

On the victorious divisions of Hardee swept, so far swinging around the circle just as Bragg had planned for them. Gen. Jeff C. Davis next received the force of the advancing wave. Davis threw Post's brigade quickly to the right to meet them with changed front. On they came, an irresistible avalanche of men. They charged with the "rebel yell." Fresh troops from Gen. Withers' division of the Confederate center had by this time joined them. These came in a torrent against Carlin's and Woodruff's brigades of Davis' division and Sill's brigade of the right of Sheridan's division. Together the three brigades of Carlin, Woodruff and Sill made gallant resistance, and at length drove back the advancing Confederate columns. The Confederates reformed their lines almost immediately, being re-enforced by reserves from Cheatham's division. Again they charged, and again were driven back by the three stubborn brigades. Once all charged in turn and drove back the force opposite him to their intrenchments. But in this gallant charge Sill himself was killed. Post's brigade of Davis' division had meanwhile also repulsed the attack of Cleburne's men.

After changing front Post's brigade fought nearly at right angles to their former position. This made an angle of the left of Davis' division and the right of Sheridan's. Against this angle the Confederates threw all their force for the purpose of enfilading the Union ranks. Twice they had been repulsed, yet a third time they assaulted the Federal position. At that third attack the long enduring brigades of Davis' division gave way and fell back into the cedar thickets behind them.

Then Sheridan, next on Davis' left, was in turn obliged to protect his own right flank. Col. George W. Roberts commanded Sheridan's left brigade. Sheridan quickly withdrew Sill's brigade, whose commander had been killed, from his right and ordered Col. Roberts to take its place and charge on the Confederates, who pursued Davis' division into the cedar grove. Roberts did so and checked their advance long enough for Sheridan to reform Sill's brigade and another on a new line. Roberts joined the new line with his brigade. Sheridan then attempted to reform Davis' division, but failed.

Still the Confederates swept on in ever increasing waves. They at length turned Sheridan's own right. The right of the center corps, Thomas', was held by Negley. Immediately Sheridan joined his front to Negley's, and formed Roberts on the right, facing south.

The successive positions on the right wing of the Federal force that morning may be described as two sides of a square, one facing south, the other east, forming an angle with each other. One after another the south sides of the square melted away, again to be followed by other brigades swung round to the right in the same position. The main line faced east.

Sheridan at length formed his brigades in three sides of a hollow square, placing two brigades to face westward, at right angles to Roberts and in the rear of Negley. Upon all three sides of this square the Confederates poured shot and shell at once. Three times the whole force of Hardee's and Polk's corps, four divisions, dashed in mass against it. The artillery of the two opposing forces was in some cases not more than 600 feet apart.

GEN. WOOD.

Each time the Confederates were repulsed, but at great cost. The gallant Col. Roberts, who had defied Confederate bullets that Christmas night six days before, was shot dead. Nearly all the horses belonging to Shafer's brigade artillery were killed. Sheridan's men had exhausted their ammunition. They had been fighting almost continuously in this terrific battle for four hours. Sheridan fell back through the cedars to the Murfreesboro pike. Negley's division, too, was broken.

While the fight was going thus disastrously to McCook on the right, Rosecrans was with the left. His headquarters were in the rear of Crittenden's corps. Rosecrans' plan was for his left to cross Stone river and sweep into Murfreesboro while his right engaged Hardee's main force west of the river and town.

Gen. Van Cleve crossed early in the morning with two brigades, meeting no opposition. Gen. T. J. Wood's division was following Van Cleve. A thunderous roaring on the right showed that McCook was engaged.

To be continued.

English Window Glass, 16 oz., all sizes; also Stained and Enamelled Glass, at Muirhead and Mann's Sash and Door Factory.

CITY AND PROVINCE.

—A modiste—A woman who cuts a dress that barely rises above the waist.

—Kurtz's Jubilee Cigars are now ready.

—Men who are a great deal run after fugitives from justice.

—Money saved by having your plans made by FISHER, the ARCHITECT.

—A man who does business on a large scale—a coal dealer.

—Fresh Ontario Butter in rolls, at NEUFELDER & Ross.

—Never employ a doctor who is on speaking terms with an undertaker.

—Strong, serviceable umbrellas, suitable for school children, 75c each, at Jeffrees', Yates St.

—A young man who intended to press his suit first went and had his suit pressed.

—The latest styles in wool goods just to hand at the Lansdowne House, Yates street.

—"Never saw anything like it," is the stereotyped reply now when the weather is referred to.

—FANCY PLUSHES and VELVETS, LINEN COLLARS, HANDKERCHIEFS, &c., in great variety, at the ALBION HOUSE.

—"I understand 'She' is to be put upon the stage." "I expected she would when I read that she was several thousand years old."

—CASHMERE, MERINOS and NEW FANCY DRESS GOODS, cheap for cash, at the ALBION HOUSE.

—Lady (who has a sick husband)—Don't you think, doctor, that you ought to bleed my husband? Doctor (absent mindedly)—No, madam, not until he gets well.

—The newest shapes in ladies' felt hats are to be seen at the Lansdowne House, Yates street.

—Never judge by appearances. A shabby old coat may contain an editor, while the man wearing a high-toned plug hat and supporting a cane may be a delinquent subscriber.

—Ninety ladies' Cashmere Jerseys now opened at the Lansdowne House, Yates street.

—"Did it rain?" exclaimed the western man in the course of a thrilling recital of border life. "Say, it rained so hard that afternoon that the water stood three feet on a slant roof."

—HOSIERY, GLOVES, UMBRELLAS and WATERPROOFS, best value for cash, at the ALBION HOUSE.

—P. T. Barnum says his favorite novel is "Ivanhoe." That probably accounts for his saying, "Great Scott!" when told that his menagerie was on fire.

—Mens', Youths', and Boys Rubber Coats, at reduced prices, at Jeffrees', Yates St.

—"You look like the devil," said a lady the other night; and the party addressed felt flattered, though the speaker was Terrybly in earnest. It was Henry Irving.

—BURNS & WARD invite inspection of the new goods now being opened at the ALBION HOUSE.

—Now for it! "Why should you say that bakers, as a class, are likely to be of more idle habits than other men?" "Why, because you see, they are all regular loafers."

—STAPLE Goods at the lowest prices and of the best value, at the ALBION HOUSE.

—Only one rifle ball in 1,000 kills a man in battle. If that thousandth bullet could be left out of the calculation, what brave soldiers we would be.

—The latest and most fashionable styles in ULSTERS, JAMBOYS, JACKETS and DOLMANS, at the ALBION HOUSE.

—A phrenological paper says: "In choosing a wife be governed by her chin." A man is apt to be governed by the same thing after he gets a wife.

—Photographic views along the line of the C. P. R. in B. C., and views of Alaska, for sale at R. MAYNARD's, Douglas St.

—A Maryland lady defends herself for the size of her bustle by saying that she isn't responsible for what goes on behind her back.

—Tomb and Headstones, Monuments, in Marble, imported and local Granite, Mantle pieces and Wash Stands in Marble, artistically executed, and at reasonable rates, at George Rudge's Marble Works, Douglas street, Victoria. Call and see specimens of work.

—She—My dear, why do they put corks on a horse's feet? He—Same reason that they put corks in bottles. They act as stoppers.

—A fine line of Porpoise hide laced boots direct from London, just arrived at GEO. H. MAYNARD'S.

—"Mamma, is a shepherd a man who 'tends to sheep?" "Yes, dear." "Well, is a coward a man who 'tends cows?" "No, dear; but women are when they see one."

—Boys' ENGLISH LACE BOOTS just arrived; no equal in the province, at GEO. H. MAYNARD'S.

—There is a popular impression to the effect that a woman cannot keep a secret. Yet who ever heard a woman say that her new black silk was partly made up of the old one?

—Try our new OPERA GAITER and LACE BOOT, made to order at $4.50. GEO. H. MAYNARD.

—Paper is now largely used in the manufacture of coffins. This accounts for the enormous circulation of some of our daily contemporaries.

—For a smoky chimney, a patent Globe Chimney Cap to be obtained at McLennan & McFeeley's, Fort Street, is the proper thing.

—Mrs. Gilligan, the Bridgeport lady who hammered one of Barnum's lions with a bed slat, has received an offer of marriage from a western cowboy. What daredevils those knights of the lasso are, to be sure.

—REDUCED PRICES:—Just received over 250 patterns fine mouldings, steel engravings and all latest pictures in stock. Framing and mounting a specialty. JOS. SOMMERS, Government street.

—Ladies Visettes, Wraps, Short Jackets, Ulsters of the latest styles of the newest materials, arrived to-day for Spencer's "Arcade."

—An article in an exchange headed What the Typewriter Is Doing, doesn't state the fact it is exposing the poor spelling of many operators, as well as their ignorance of punctuation and the use of capital letters.

—Money advanced on Watches, Diamonds, jewelry of all kinds, &c., by KIRCHERER & LANGERER, Johnson street.

—A howling swell — an ulcerated tooth.

—Another lot of dress goods, of the latest patterns and choice shades, just marked off at the Lansdowne House, Yates street.

—For the largest and best assortment of FURNITURE, CARPETS, CROCKERY, GLASSWARE, LAMPS, &c., go to J. SEHL, Government Street, where you are sure to get suited in style, quality and lowest prices.

—Present your wife with a life insurance policy for $5,000. At age 30, it only costs $18.40 payable quarterly. Claims paid, nearly three millions. Citizens' Insurance Company, Langley street, near Yates.

MEETINGS TO BE HELD.

VICTORIA-COLUMBIA Lodge, No. 1, A. F. & A. M., B. C. R.—Regular Communication the first Thursday in each month, at Masonic Temple corner Douglas and Flagard streets. mar31 R. B. ESNOUF, Secretary.

ST. ANDREWS and CALEDONIAN Society meets in their hall, Broughton street, between Government and Broad streets, on the FIRST FRIDAY of every month. All Scotchmen are invited to join. ROBERT MITCHELL, Secretary.

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JOHN BOYD, Has just landed, ex "Coldstream," the Finest Scotch Whiskies ever imported from Scotland. Connoisseurs whose health requires the most perfect qualities of Whisky will do well to give them a trial. In stock, Dantzic Spruce Beer and Teas of a very superior quality. P. O. Box 488 YATES STREET. febimly

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THOS. C. SORBY, ARCHITECT, McDonald's Block, Bastion Square, Victoria. Saturday at Vancouver. apr16-3mo

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5 pcs wide Aberdeen Winseys, 10c.
475 yds 24-inch Heavy Suitings, 6 yards, $1.
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Very fine line of Glencaig Mixtures 3 yds, $1.
All Wool French Serges, 37½c.

FLANNELS.

Fine Grey All Wool, 25c to 37½c.
Do. Union, 20c.
Fine Red All Wool, 20c to 65c.
Heavy White do. 25c to 60c.
Wide Canton Flannels, 8c to 25c.
Ladies' Felt Skirts, 75c to $2.50.
Do. Black Quilted Skirts, $1.50 to $2.75.

Full range of Ladies' and Children's Hosiery, from 15c to 75c per pair.
Men's Heavy Home Knit Sox, from 25c per pair.
Men's Vicuna Merino Sox, from 25c per pair.
Men's Wool and Merino Undershirts, from 75c each.
Heavy Bed Comforters, from 75c to $4.50.
Another lot of those Fine White Blankets at $4.75 per pair.

—FOR THE HOLIDAYS—
We can show you a very fine line of
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Ladies' and Gents' Sleeve Buttons.
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Splendid assortment of Ladies' Hand Satchels, from 75c to $3.50.

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Plushes, Satins, Velvets, Stripped Velvouz.
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Ladies' and Children's Underwear.
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Men's Furnishings,

Consisting of White Dress Shirts, Linen Collars and Cuffs, Wool and Merino Underwear, Socks, and all that pertains to a first class establishment.

Our past record will be maintained in the future.

Remember the Address—
Manchester House, YATES STREET.
T. Haughton & Co. dec 1

NOTICE.

COWICHAN LAKE.

PURSUANT to the Order of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, made in the suit of McCallum v. Morrow, and dated the 18th April, 1887, I will sell, subject to the approbation of a Judge, at my Salesroom, Store Street, Victoria, on the 31st day of November, 295 acres of Freehold Land, being portion of Section 3, Renfrew District, fronting on Cowichan Lake.

This property affords an excellent opportunity to any person desirous of purchasing a site for an hotel, for residence, or for farming purposes. Plan, particulars and conditions of sale can be seen at the office of J. P. WALLS, Solicitor, Langley street, Victoria, and will be produced at time of sale.

nov14 td W. R. CLARKE, Auctioneer.

POSTPONED.

SALE OF LAND POSTPONED in "Renfrew District" until further notice. Victoria, B. C., November 19, 1887. nov19tf

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Notices.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that a General Meeting of the British Columbia Fire Insurance Company will be held at their office, Wharf street, in the city of Victoria, on Tuesday, the 10th day of January, 1888, at the hour of three o'clock p. m., for the purpose of receiving the Annual Report. By order. E. WILDE, dec9 td Manager.

NOTICE.

In the matter of the Estate and Effects of WILLIAM BACHELOR, commonly known as FREDERICK REYNOLDS, deceased.

ALL PERSONS indebted to this Estate are required to pay the amounts due forthwith, and all persons who have any claims against the said Estate are required to send the same, on or before the 31st day of January, 1888, to MESSRS. DAVIE & POOLEY, Solicitors for Messrs. John D. Bryant and William McKeon, Executors. Dated Victoria, 30th November, 1887. nov30

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that at the next sitting of the Legislature, of the Province of British Columbia, the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company will apply for leave to introduce and pass a bill enabling them to construct a branch line from a point on their railway between Esquimalt and Goldstream, to a point on the north shore of the Straits of Fuca, between Pedder Bay and Otter Point. Dated at Victoria, the 29th day of November, A. D., 1887. CHARLES WILSON, nov 29 td Solicitor for the applicants.

NOTICE.

ESTATE OF JOHN THOMPSON GALBRAITH, late of Parson's Bridge, Merchant, deceased. Creditors are requested to forward their claims and debtors to pay their accounts, to the undersigned. Dated 22nd November, 1887. J. ROLAND HETT Solicitor for Robert L. T. Galbraith, executor of the will of the deceased. Chancery Lane, Victoria. Nov 29 tf

NOTICE.

KING TYE CO. beg to inform the public that they have secured the services of L. MONGKOW from October 17th, 1887, to act with LEONG KEE as Interpreter on behalf of the said firm. KING TYE CO. Victoria, B. C. Oct. 21, 1887. oct21

"Land Registry Ordinance, 1870."

Lot No. 112 in the City of Victoria.

A CERTIFICATE of Indefeasible Title to the above mentioned lot will be issued to William A. Elliott on the 9th day of March, 1888, unless in the meantime a valid objection be made to the undersigned, in writing, by some person claiming an estate or interest in said lot or some part thereof. CHAS. J. LEGGATT, Registrar-General. Land Registry Office, Victoria, 8th December, 1887. dec9 td

"Land Registry Ordinance, 1870."

Lots No. 658, 659 and 660 in the City of Victoria.

WHEREAS the Certificate of Title of the Trustees of the Pandora Street Victoria Congregation of the Methodist Church of Canada, to the above mentioned Lots, bearing date the 25th day of February, 1878, has been lost, and application has been made for a duplicate of such certificate; Notice is therefore hereby given that such duplicate will be issued unless cause be shown to the contrary, in writing, within one month from the date hereof. CHAS. JAS. LEGGATT, Registrar-General. Land Registry Office, Victoria, 14th December, 1887. dec14 1m

Notice of Private Bills.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to incorporate a Company for the construction and operation of a line of railways commencing at a point at or near Michel Creek, Crow's Nest Pass, Kootenay District, thence by Elk River to the Kootenay River, thence by way of Cranbrook and the Moyie Pass and Goat River to the lower Kootenay River, in the Province of British Columbia. EBERTS & TAYLOR, Solicitors for Applicants. Dated 6th December, 1887. Victoria, B. C. dec17 td

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the firm of J. C. Jeans & Co., of Victoria, merchants, James Island, have made an assignment of all their stock and effects in trust for the benefit of its several creditors to J. C. Devlin, Victoria, to whom all claims against the said firm must be presented on or before the 20th day of February, 1888. Victoria, Dec. 19, 1888. dec19 2m

Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company.

LAND DEPARTMENT.

Notice to Claimants under the "Act Relating to the Island Railway, the Graving Dock and Railway Lands of the Province."

The Company is now prepared to issue Conveyances of Title to all Claimants entitled to the same under the provisions of the above Act, and who have fulfilled the requirements of the British Columbia "Land Act, 1884."

R. DUNSMUIR, President.
JOHN TRUTCH, Land Commissioner.
Victoria, B. C., July 25th, 1887. july28

B. C. Milling and Mining Co., (LIMITED.)

NOTICE is hereby given that the following described Shares in the Capital Stock of the above named Company have been sold by public auction, according to law, to cover Assessment No. 16 and interest and expenses, and that the certificates therefor have been and now stand cancelled, namely:

John Irving, Certificate No. 949, for 1000 shares; George A. Keefer, No. 1914, 100 shares.

The public are cautioned not in any wise to negotiate any of the above certificates or shares. GEO. A. SARGISON, Secretary. Victoria, B. C., Dec. 17, 1887. dec19 D&W 1w

"Land Registry Ordinance, 1870."

Lot 12 and Part of Lot 25, Oakland Estate, being part of Section XXIX-XXX. Vict. Dist.

WHEREAS the Certificate of Title of Charles Fellows, late of Victoria, Province of British Columbia, to the above mentioned property, bearing date the 6th day of June, 1863, has been lost and application has been made for a duplicate of such certificate. Notice is therefore hereby given that such duplicate will be issued unless cause be shown to the contrary, in writing, within one month from the date thereof. CHAS. JAS. LEGGATT, Registrar-General. Land Registry Office, Victoria, 21st December, 1887. dec21 1m

Quesnelle Quartz Mining Company (LIMITED.)

Location of Works, Hixon Creek, B.C.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a meeting of the Trustees of said Company, held on the 28th November, 1887, an Assessment of One Cent per share was levied upon the capital stock of said Company, payable December 24th, at the office of the Company, Quesnelle, B. C. Any stock upon which said assessment shall remain unpaid on the 24th January, 1888, shall be deemed delinquent and will be duly advertised for sale at public auction and unless payment shall be made before, will be sold on the 15th day of February, 1888, to pay the delinquent assessment, together with costs of advertising and expenses of the sale. W. A. JOHNSTON, Secretary. Quesnelle, B. C., Dec. 15, 1887. dec22 dw 4w

SCHOONER "PENELOPE."

NEITHER THE OWNER NOR THE Undersigned will be responsible for any debts contracted on account of the Schooner "Penelope" without a written order from MORRIS MOSS. dec21 1m Agent Schr Penelope.

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W. D. HUGHES, Acting Agent.
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Esquimalt & Nanaimo RAILROAD.

Winter Arrangement.

TIME TABLE No. 5

To take effect at 9:01 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 1st, 1887.

Trains run on Pacific Standard Time.

Going North.	No. 1 Pacific Express Daily.	No. 3 Mixed. Leaves Victoria Daily, except Sundays.	STATIONS.	Going South.	No. 2 Pacific Express Daily.	No. 4 Mixed. Leaves Nanaimo Daily, except Sundays.
HEAD DOWN.				HEAD UP.		
Leave.	A. M.	P. M.		Arrive.	P. M.	A. M.
11:00	9:01	3:00	VICTORIA	1:00	7:00	11:00
11:12	9:14	3:12	HILLSIDE	12:48	6:48	10:48
11:22	9:24	3:22	GOLDSTREAM	12:38	6:38	10:38
11:28	9:30	3:28	LAKE	12:32	6:32	10:32
11:36	9:38	3:36	COBBLE HILL	12:24	6:24	10:24
11:42	9:44	3:42	SHAWNIGAN	12:18	6:18	10:18
11:52	9:54	3:52	KOKSILAH	12:08	6:08	10:08
12:00	10:02	4:00	DUNCANS	12:00	6:00	10:00
12:15	10:17	4:15	CHEMAINUS	11:45	5:45	9:45
12:35	10:37	4:35	LADYSMITH	11:25	5:25	9:25
1:00	11:02	5:00	NANAIMO	11:00	5:00	9:00
1:15	11:17	5:15	WELLINGTON	10:45	4:45	8:45
Leave.	A. M.	P. M.		Arrive.	P. M.	A. M.

CHEAP RATES.

Until further notice Return Tickets for one and a half ordinary fare will be issued to any point on the line, good for three days, including the day of issue.

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H. K. PRIOR, General Freight and Passenger Agent. aug1

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Steamships.

CANADIAN PACIFIC Navigation Co. (LIMITED.)

TIME TABLE NO. 9. Taking effect November 1, 1887.

Burrard Inlet Route

VICTORIA TO Vancouver and Moodyville, Daily except Monday, at 2 o'clock.

Vancouver to Victoria, Daily except Monday, at 12:30 o'clock, or on arrival of C. P. Railway train.

New Westminster Route.

LEAVE VICTORIA For New Westminster, Ladner's Landing and Lulu Island, Tuesday, at 9 o'clock; Thursday and Sunday at 7 o'clock.

Plumper Pass Sunday at 7 o'clock.

Leaves New Westminster for Victoria Monday at 13 o'clock; Wednesday and Friday at 7 a.m.

For Plumper Pass, Monday, at 13 o'clock.

Steamers for Chilliwhack and way landings leave New Westminster every Monday, Wednesday and Saturday at 7 o'clock.

Barclay Sound Route.

Steamer Maude Leaves Victoria for Alberni and Sound Ports Dec. 29.

The Company reserves the right of changing this Time Table at any time without notification.

G. A. CARLETON, GEN. AGENT. JOHN IRVING, MANAGER.

Steamer "Rainbow."

WINTER ARRANGEMENT.

THE STEAMER RAINBOW, CAPT. CAVIN, will sail

FOR NEW WESTMINSTER AND WAY PORTS

On Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday Mornings at 7 o'clock.

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The Daily Times.

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Victoria, Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1887.

BORN.

MADIGAN.—In this city, December 25th, the wife of Mr. Geo. O. Madigan, of a daughter.

MARRIED.

BARNSLEY—COLLISTER.—On Sunday morning, at St. John's Church, by the Rev. P. Jenns, John Barnsley, Fort Street, to Elizabeth, second daughter of R. Collister, Esq., Inspector of Hulls. No Cards.

WHITWELL—MANN.—On the 25th inst., by the Rev. Mr. Beanlands, Thomas Whitwell, of York, England, to Miss Susan Mann, of Stoke, Devonport, England.

DIED.

WILLIAMS.—In this city, on the 27th inst., Annie Elizabeth Wilson Williams, aged 32 years. Due notice of the funeral will be given.

CITY AND PROVINCE.

—Prime Findon Haddocks—Fell & Co.*

—A new lot of Xmas cards just opened at T. N. Hibben & Co.'s. *

—For your Christmas glassware and crockery John Weiler's is the place. *

Gladstone Cigars.

—A special line of fancy cups and saucers, at John Weiler's, Fort street. *

—The dredger is laid up preparatory to going to Nanaimo.

Really! The Creme de la Creme.

—If you want variety go to T. N. Hibben & Co.'s *

—Newspapers and letters of the 10th inst., sixteen days from London, were distributed last night.

—Xmas Nos. of London News and Graphic, at T. N. Hibben & Co.'s *

—An enterprising saloon firm here gave a big spread to their patrons Saturday night.

—Pass this by, but do not pass by Waitt & Co.'s stores without going in to examine their stock. *

—The tug Pilot, with the bark Malay from Chemainus, lumber laden, was off Race Rocks at 10 o'clock this morning.

EASTERN TOWNSHIP'S BUTTER at Neufelder & Ross'. *

—For all things nice for Christmas go to Fell's. Bon bons, new fruits and nuts.*

—Grammar has been added to the business course of the Victoria Business College without extra cost. *

—Plush Toilet Sets, Cuff and Collar Boxes, and many other beautiful articles for Xmas time, at T. N. Hibben & Co.'s

—How often do we hear of the sudden and fatal termination of a case of croup, when a young life might have been saved by the prompt use of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Ayer's Almanac for the new year is out. Get one.

—They eclipse everything! What do? The Plush Piano Scarfs at Waitt's Music Store. *

—The Royal Hospital acknowledges the receipt of a splendid roast of beef from Mr. L. Goodacre for Christmas.

—Cassell's Illustrated Family Bibles, varying in price from $3 to $25, at T. N. Hibben & Co.'s *

Tony Cigars.

—The Rebecca degree lodge will meet this evening at 7:30.

—THE VICTORIA BUSINESS COLLEGE has issued a new Holiday Circular. Get one at J. B. Ferguson's Book Store or at College Rooms. *

—The managers of the Victoria Track and Dray Co. gave a banquet to their employees at the Poodle Dog Restaurant on Saturday evening. About twenty-two gen'lemen sat down to a sumptuous spread. A feast of reason and a flow of soul followed.

—Come out to-night and see the splendid display of Musical Goods, (all suitable for Xmas presents), at M. W. Waitt & Co.'s Music Store. *

—A Good Templars tea meeting at the Indian church this (Tuesday) evening at 7 o'clock. Admission 25 cts. *

—"I was troubled with an eruption on my face, which was a source of constant annoyance when I wished to appear in company. After using ten bottles of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, the humor entirely disappeared."—Mary M. Wood, 40 Adams st., Lowell, Mass.

—One of to-night's attractions will be the masquerade ball given by Prof. Oliver at his dancing academy.

Black and Tan Cigars.

—Thomas Dunn, one of Vancouver's leading hardware men, passed through Tacoma last week in search of the defaulting contractor, Harkins.

Smoke "Creme de la Creme" Cigars.

—"Jumbo" gives his annual bachelor's banquet this evening at his residence. The favorite pastime is to see who can look into a glass of Dunville the longest and straightest.

—Mr. George Madigan, of this city, was presented by his wife with a Christmas gift he will appreciate—a bouncing baby girl.

Creme de la Creme Cigars; A. B. Gray & Co., Agents.

—Portland customs officials captured ninety-four tins of opium in a Chinese doctor store the other day which had been smuggled from this city.

The only place in the city for a glass of British Beer on draught is the Occidental Hotel. XXX Edinburgh

—The services in the several churches on Sunday were conducted with special reference to the all-important event in the history of Christianity which the day commemorated. The decorations in the Episcopal churches were very pretty and have been referred to already.

Royal Hospital.

The Christmas dinner at this worthy institution was attended by His Worship Mayor Fell and the Honorary Secretary, Mr. J. S. Yates. The patients were provided with a large quantity of edibles, furnished by charitable citizens. At the conclusion of the dinner the patients gave three cheers for the Steward, Mr. Garland, and his estimable wife.

Did You See Them Yet?

Those beautiful Langtry French kid button boot. For cut, fit and elegance, they are unsurpassed. Also, the Louis XIV. kid boots and slippers. They were made to the order of H. Mansell, of the British Columbia Boot and Shoe store, Government street, opposite post office.

THEY ARE JUST LOVELY. *

The Mayoralty.

There will probably be a hard fight for the mayoralty this year, but it will not compare with the rush for the new and elegant lines of Xmas goods offered by the B. C. Stationery Co.

The Finest Out.

Ladies' feather weight rubbers at
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Death.

Mrs. Williams died at the residence, Gorge Road, this morning. Mrs Williams was for some time proprietress of the Railroad Hotel, Johnson street.

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Of new goods direct from the manufacturers just received at the B. C. Stationery Co.

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Christmas Greeting.

THE TIMES received the following Christmas greeting on Monday:

"WINNIPEG, Dec. 26.—Favored with charming weather and rejoicing in the result of a magnificent crop. We send you a hearty Christmas greeting.
MORNING "CALL."

Elegant Goods.

We have never seen as fine a line of photograph albums, photo, screens and photo, easels as are displayed by the B. C. Stationery Co. That is what everyone is saying.

Cold Weather.

Ladies', Misses', and Gents' THICK GERMAN FELT SHOES, just in time for the season, at the B. C. Boot & Shoe Store, opposite the post office.
* H. MANSELL.

Xmas Presents.

Nothing better or more acceptable for a Xmas present than your photograph. Sit now and avoid hurry and delay.
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Reciprocity.

Anderson & Hastie, Fort Street, are prepared to give in return for cash all kinds of furniture, including Parlor and Bedroom suits, Lounges, Easy Chairs, Off Tables, Tables, etc., specially suitable for Xmas presents. *

Drug Store.

Mr. Blanchard, having purchased Mr. Atwood's interest in the firm of R. Atwood & Co., can be found at his store on Government street, next door to Neufelder & Ross. Drugs, Chemicals, Toilet Articles, Patent Medicines, etc. Prescriptions compounded. M. G. BLANCHARD.*

Runaway.

Messrs. Neufelder & Ross' horse attached to the delivery wagon, took a little exercise on its own hook this afternoon about two o'clock. It left the store, went up Johnson street, then along Douglas to Pandora, to Blanchard, to Fisgard, thence to Mr. Ross' dwelling, where it was caught and brought back to the store. Strange to relate neither the animal or the vehicle received the slightest injury.

What Mr. Grant Says on the Mayoralty Question.

I would advise all my friends to go to the B. C. Stationery Company to get their Xmas presents. They will find them cheap and elegant.

The Place for Jewelry.

Jewelry can be seen at J. Dassonville & Co.'s store. All the latest styles in earrings, brooches, necklaces, lockets, and ladies and gents gold and silver watches. Also the largest stock of enamel platedware this side of San Francisco. Give us a call. *

Bandsmen, Read This.

Messrs. C. A. LOMBARD & Co. are now ready to supply you with instruments made by F. Besson & Co., of London, at 15 per cent. less than any other dealers in the province. Send in your orders direct to us and save money. *

R. C. Pro-Cathedral.

Midnight mass was celebrated at the pro-Cathedral, View street, on Christmas Eve. Father Maudart officiated, assisted by the Right Rev. Father Jonckeau, Fathers VanNevel and Latrene. The choir was under Mr. E. A. McQuade's leadership. Miss Clara Campbell presided at the organ. On Sunday the usual services were held.

Band of Hope.

On Wednesday of this week the Band of Hope intend to give an entertainment, both pretty and novel. It consists of a Christmas cantata, which of itself is well worth hearing. Mother Goose will also be given by special request, and Rev. Mr. Starr will address the children. While Mr. Starr's addresses to adults are popular, his way of teaching the children, and at the same time interesting both them and their parents, makes him equally popular among the young people. Admission free. A collection will be taken up in aid of the society.

Wedding Bells.

Mr. John Barnsley, Fort street, was married on Christmas day to Elizabeth, second daughter of Mr. Richard Collister. The happy event took place at St. John's Church. Miss Clara Collister was bridesmaid and Mr. Alfred Barnsley supported the groom. A sumptuous wedding repast, which had been prepared for the occasion, was partaken of by the guests. The bride was presented with a number of costly, useful presents. The contracting parties are well known in this city, and carry with them the heartiest wishes of a wide circle of friends for their future happiness.

On View.

XMAS GOODS FOR THE HOLIDAYS, just opened out—a new lot. At G. W. A. LANGE'S, Jeweler, Government street. *

COSTLY COAL.

The Fuel Famine in San Francisco—$20 a Ton Reached.

The *Examiner* of the 22nd inst., states that San Francisco consumes daily some 3000 tons of coal and that at least 145,000 tons are required to supply that market each month. The origin of the present coal famine is attributed to the scarcity of vessels to carry the black diamonds hence to that city.

Hard coal, West Hartley coal and Scotch coal are not in the market. The price of these qualities is $15 per ton at retail. Sydney coal is sold at present at $13 per ton and Cannel coal at $20 per ton. The Wellington coal, which is in the greatest demand, has now reached the price of $15 per ton, but the dealers anticipate that within the next month it will take a double eagle to buy a ton of that quality. Seattle coal is quoted at $13 per ton and Coos Bay coal at $11 per ton. These figures represent the quotations as announced yesterday, but the scarcity of the coal and the failure to charter any vessels to carry it to this port may increase the price at any moment. Yesterday the vessel Bundalier arrived in this port from Esquimalt, B. C., with a cargo of 1425 tons of Wellington coal, consigned to R. D. Chandler. A long line of carts had been in waiting at the wharf for several days for the vessel's arrival, in the hope of securing some of it's cargo. "First come, first served," applies in this case, and the consignees deliver the coal at the wharf to whoever calls for it, and receive no orders at the office. Last week a coal dealer in South San Francisco sent two carts to the wharf in anticipation of the arrival of a vessel loaded with coal. The carts remained in line for two days, and the drivers camped during that time among the wharf-rats. When finally the vessel was discharged the coal had all been disposed of before the South San Francisco man's teams came in for their share, and the drivers returned to their employer with empty carts and a bill of $17 for wages and expenses. The coal dealers generally ridicule the idea that they are being benefited by the rise in the price of coal, and they claim that they are compelled to pay higher figures and that they are unable to supply the demand of the consumers.

Respecting the above it is learned that Wellington coal is supplied wholesale to old customers at the same rates as in former years, viz: $4 per ton, at the mines, and Mr. Dunsmuir very justly claims that if those he sells to force up the prices to $15 per ton he is neither responsible for the raise nor is he benefitted by it. To those who have brought about these high prices, the Messrs. Dunsmuir sell about 3500 tons per month. Steam coal from their depot at San Francisco is delivered alongside of steamers at rates varying from $7.50 to $8 per ton, according to the distance of cartage. Screenings, which amount to 20 per cent. of all the coal which reaches San Francisco from Wellington, is sold for $5 per ton. Mr. Dunsmuir has had his son to come up from San Francisco to confer with him in regard to the recent developments in the coal market with a view to making the retail prices of Wellington coal in San Francisco conform more nearly to the wholesale rates. Both Mr. Dunsmuir and his son were seen by a TIMES representative in regard to this matter and the foregoing they state are the real facts of the case whatever may be said to the contrary.

The Boys Know.

"Say Jim, old Sandy Claus
Has cum'ed ter town;
You can't guess where he'll stay,"
"Oh! down to a great big store,
Where they make a fine display."
"Not much, he won't.
They are all too dear;
Old Sandy don't make per pay;
He'll stop an ter the GREAT YANKEE STORE,
Where they give the Toys away.
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MURDER AT TACOMA.

A Man Shot Down in Cold Blood for the Sake of Plunder.

While Fred Neitzel, the proprietor of the Brewery saloon, Tacoma, was locking up about 10:30 on Friday evening last, he was shot and killed by a robber. The barkeeper who had just left the place heard the shots and hastily returned, and going in by a rear entrance alarmed the robber who jumped through the front window into the street. As he did so he was seen by Policeman Farrel who gave chase and shot at his man as he scaled a fence in his flight. He dropped but quickly jamped up and ran. The city was alarmed and large numbers of armed men started out in search of the murderer, while the County Commissioners and Knights of Pythias, of whom the deceased was a member, offered rewards for his capture. Early on Saturday morning he was captured on the beach by a longshoreman named Mitchell and was turned over to the policeman who had fired at him the night before and as was afterwards demonstrated, shot him through the back. He was hustled by the officer into a boat and rowed round to another part of the city in order to escape a posse of lynchers who started for the scene of the capture as soon as they heard the murderer had been found. They arrived on the scene as the boat was being pushed off and made a rush for it but were not quick enough. The murderer gave the following account of himself: "My name is William Martin," he said, looking up frankly in answer to the question. "I was born in England, and am 30 years of age. I came over in 1872, stopped a while in Canada, and came out here about a year ago. I have no friends or relatives in these parts." When arrested he was bootless, hatless and coatless, having left them in the saloon, and could scarcely breathe on account of blood in his lungs. When asked if he was hungry or driven by want to commit the deed he replied in a very matter of fact manner that it was nothing of the kind; that he simply wanted to make a stake. There was in Neitzel's safe $1280, of which he secured in his hasty flight only about six. Five shots were fired at the murdered man, only two of which took effect, one in the wrist and the other in the breast.

Panic in a Theatre.

For some time a number of men have been engaged decorating the Club Theatre on Douglas street. Evergreens and Chinese lanterns were placed all around the hall. Last night a large number of people attended the performance, and were enjoying themselves immensely when a Chinese lantern caught fire. The blaze communicated with the wall paper and a stampede took place. One young man connected with a local band saved his cornet by throwing it through the window. Another bandsman thought the opening a good one and immediately followed the cornet. The audience made a rush for the different exits and a panic opened. The manager, with great presence of mine, secured a ladder and immediately put water on the fire, which was making good headway. The audience returned to the theatre and the performance was carried out. The only damage done was the demolition of a window by the cornet.

Vancouver, B. C.

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Calendars.

Messrs. Heisterman & Haynes, agents for the Western Assurance Company, of Toronto, placed on our table to-day a neat and attractive calendar for 1888.

Lowenberg, Harris & Co., agents for the Commercial Union Assurance Company, issued a beautiful calendar.

H. M. S. Triumph.

The Triumph sailed from San Francisco for Mare Island on Saturday morning last. This trip was decided upon by Admiral Heneage, in response to an invitation from Admiral Belknap to spend Christmas festivities at Vallejo, and the Triumph remained there until last Monday when she sailed for the south, stopping at Santa Barbara and San Diego, and Mexican ports. Valparaiso will not be reached before April. It is expected that the Swiftsure, the sister ship to the Triumph, will be met there when the Admiral's flag will be transferred and he will continue his trip north arriving in Esquimalt in the spring. It was learned also that Admiral Heneage was under orders to make the cruise in Behring Sea during the coming summer. He will report to his government on the operations of the United States cruisers in that region. The Triumph has now been in these waters for three years without cessation and as customary it is intended to return home at the end of that period. During her Pacific cruise the Triumph has lost ninety men by desertion, and notwithstanding the sentries have been doubled she has lost during her present visit five men.

Passengers Arriving.

Per Yosemite from New Westminster last night—Mrs Ladner, Miss Clements, J A Laidlaw, G A Carleton, W J Pace, S G Cummings, J Rickland, J Shaw, J N F Williams, R Wilkinson, J Kipp, W Roberts, J E Firth, M McPhee, D McPherson, A McKeown, B Paton, N Paton.

By the steamer Olympian from Sound yesterday: J Newts, A Baker, A Venson, J West, A Birch, C H Baker, F C Smith, J Burdett, W P Leslie, wife, O Denny, King and wife, G Friend, J A McGrea, J Shaw, J Shaw, H Rood, F Luscombe, C A Daley, Capt Harris and wife, M Green, J J McDonald, A Foster, J McNiffe, J McLoin, Y Greenly, J Rotschild, E Erickson, one Indian and two Chinese.

Per the Olympian from the Sound to-day: F Cosier, G Bartlett, R Vansburg, P Connor, J L McDonald, H Collins, G Vandine, Borne, H C Lyons, W L Moore, J Reed, R W Sutter, G H Seward, Jenson, Mrs Rowland, J G Walker, J O Rents, E Cheeney, Wm E George, 11 Indians and two Chinamen.

Consignees.

Per the Olympian from the Sound yesterday: Langley & Co, M Marble, J A W Co, McGregor, D McPhaden, Wintermute Bros, W Grims, N & R, J Huston.

Per the Olympian from the Sound to-day:—A B Gray & Co, R C S & P Co, C Hayward, E B Carmichael, E G Prior, Fred Norris, Fell & Co, Geo H Crosby, H B Co, J K Gill & Co, J Weiler, Lenz & S, Langley & Co, M & Tilton, Sanaimo E P & N & Ross, P McQuade, R C P M, R B Mc-Micking, Adamson, S J Pitts, Turner B & Co, T Fletcher, W G Cameron, Wm Grimm.

Per str. Yosemite from New Westminster last night—A B Gray & Co, Anderson & H, Angus & Gordon, A Gilmore, A Gregg & Son, A McLean & Co, Brown & White, C Strouse & Co, D Spencer, Cowan Shaw & Co, Dr E H C Hanning, Ton, H & A Oppen, H B Co, H Saunders, E H Rendell, Jno Wenger, J H Todd & Son, J C Devlin, L & Leiser, Lieut-Col Holmes, Langley & Co, Mann & H, M W Waitt & Co, Mrs E S Vicor, N & Renouf, McPherson, Redgrave & Ella, R McDonald & Co, R A Johnston, S J Pitts, G Leiser, T B Smith, T N Hibben, T R Pearson, T Shotbolt, F W Fisher, T Earle, T B & Co, W Cresch, W J Jeffris, W H Phillips, W Mable, W Piddel, J Englehardt, W Heathorn, Dom Exp Co, Belmont Brew & Co, Nelson, W G Bowman, H Stanley, H Wand, Jas Hutcson and others.

Per steamer Umatilla from San Francisco:—Anderson & H, A Boss & Co, B & Pake Co, C W Rogers, B Williams & Co, C Strouse & Co, C Hass, D E Campbell, E S Scouller & Co, E B Marvin, E G Prior, Fell & Co, H Bay Co, H L Gulliine & Co, H & Lawson, H Bradfor & Co, Saunders, Hop Chong, J Weiler, J & A Clarihue, J Cunningham, J Sehl, J W Ondrekeywoski, J C Devlin, Kim Tai, L G Wing & Bros, Langley & Co, Mathews B & Tye, Marvin & Tilton, McDonald Bros, McLachlan Bros, May Ting Lung, N Portteus, N & Ross, O Campbell, P McQuade & Son, Pendray & Co, P Cannery, Quong On Ling, R Baker & Son, R Cunningham, R V Winch, R Maynard, S J Pitts, S Leiser, S McBride, T W Tait, T Hibben & Co, Shotbolt, T Earle, T Luscomb, Goyon & Son, Turner B & Co, Ty Fung, Tong Sam, Vic Gas Co, Vic & Brooks, W B & Co, W Tietjen, W Templeton, W H Kinnister, W R Megaw, Wah Chong, W E Fale, W & J Wilson, Wah Hing, Wells F & Co, Jno Lenz, Northern Pacific Ex Agents M H & Co, Pacific Express Co, Wells Fargo & Co.

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VICTORIA, B. C.,
22nd December, 1887.

To Edward Gawler Prior, Esq., M.P.P.

Recognising the energy and ability with which you have conducted your private business in this city, and aware of the aptitude for political life which you have evinced while a member of the Legislative Assembly for the Electoral District of Victoria City, we urgently request you to extend your sphere of political usefulness to the City and District, by becoming a candidate for the seat in the House of Commons of Canada, rendered vacant by the resignation of Noah Shakespeare, Esq., and pledge you our cordial support in the prosecution of the election contest, should a contest be rendered necessary.

We have the honor to be,
Sir,
Yours very sincerely,

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Wm Field,	James Russell,
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Thos W Pierre,	John J Wilson,
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Jno Teague,	W Heathorn,
J Evans,	M W Waitt,
B Kent,	W B Charles,
E West,	A Heron,
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C J Leggatt,	John Nicholson,
Fred Shakespeare,	J. S. Fullerton,
W. Scott,	H. J. Styles,
George Elvin,	William Clark,
Charles S. Wylie,	George Cassman,
W. H. Thistle,	W. E. Bull,
George Jacques,	Robt. McIntosh,
George Good.	George A. Keefer.

TO HON. J. S. HELMCKEN AND OTHERS:

GENTLEMEN,—I thank you most sincerely for the confidence you have expressed in me as shown by the splendid requisition you have presented to me, embracing, as it does, the names of many of the most prominent men in every profession, trade and calling in this district.

Having once entered political life I freely place my services at the disposal of my fellow citizens in the constituency where all my interests are centered, and as you deem me fitted to serve you in a wider field than that I now occupy, I accept the increased responsibility which the promotion will entail, and shall, in compliance with your request, become a candidate for the lately vacated seat in the House of Commons of Canada, and, if elected, shall endeavor to serve you to the utmost of my ability.

I have the honor to be,
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JOHN BERRYMAN.
Victoria, Dec. 5, 1887. dec6

For the Mayoralty.

TO THE MUNICIPAL ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—

I beg to announce myself as a candidate for Mayor at the coming election, and will take an early opportunity to make my views known. In the meantime I respectfully solicit your votes.
dec15td JOHN GRANT.

For Mayor.

To the Ratepayers of Victoria City.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—I respectfully offer myself as a candidate for the position of Mayor. Having served two terms as Councillor of James Bay Ward, and having made municipal institutions a careful study for several years, I feel confident that, if elected, I shall be able to discharge the duties of the position in a constitutional and acceptable manner.
Yours truly,
dec29 td D. W. HIGGINS.

FOR THE COUNCIL

To the Electors of Johnson Street Ward:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—

Having been requested by many electors in Johnson Street Ward, which I had the honor of representing in 1886, to again offer myself as a candidate, I have consented to do so, and respectfully solicit your votes and influence. I entertain the hope that my record as a Councillor and as a citizen have been such that you will again elect me.
Respectfully yours,
M. HUMBER.
Victoria, Dec. 23. de23

To the Ratepayers of James Bay Ward:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

Having been requested by a large number of Ratepayers, I hereby announce myself a Candidate for Councillor for James Bay Ward.
GEO. POWELL.
dec23 td

CIVIC HOLIDAYS.

Notice is hereby given, that on Monday the 26th inst., and Monday, January the 2nd, 1888, the offices of the Corporation will be closed for public business.

JAMES FELL,
de23 Mayor.

MUNICIPAL.

TENDERS will be received up to 4 o'clock p. m. on

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Specifications of the work can be seen daily at the office of the undersigned.

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JAMES D. ROBINSON,
City Clerk.
City Hall, 16th Dec., 1887. decl6td.

Masquerade Ball!

Don't forget the Masquerade Ball to be given by Professor OLIVER, at his DANCING ACADEMY, on TUESDAY Evening, Dec. 27. Maskers are requested to give their names and the Character they represent at the door.
dec23 td

SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

A TEACHER WISHES TO KNOW of a vacancy. Address "C. B.," care of the TIMES. dec17 dw

NOTICE.

DURING MY ABSENCE FROM THE PROVINCE, Mr. Frank Campbell, Sr., holds my Power of Attorney.
P. MURPHY.